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"INERT INGREDIENTS OF PESTICIDE FORMULATIONS" (FORMAT FOR IDENTIFICATION AND TOXICOLOGICAL APPRAISAL)

A. EPA Accession Number and Name:

000762 Stearic acid, aluminum salt of

B. American Chemical Society Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Name and Registry Number

Octadecanoic acid, aluminum salt 637-12-7

C. Other Names

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(EPA S): Aluminum stearate

(S): Aluminum tristearate

(T): Alugel 34TN; Metasap XX; Rofob 3

D. Chemical Composition

[CH3(CH2)16-C00]3 A1 (MW) 877.35

- E. EPA Chemical Code
- F. Molecular Structure

- G. Chemical and Physical Properties
 - solubility practically insoluble in water; soluble in alcohol, benzene, turpentine, mineral oils (2)
 - specific gravity (or density)
 - 3. state, color, odor, etc.
 - 4. MP, BP, VP
 - corrosiveness
 - 6. technical products & impurities
 - 7. stability

H. Use as an Inert - defoamer (1)

1.3

I. Other Uses Active? Yes () No (X) waterproofing fabrics, ropes; in paint and varnish driers; in cements; photographic compositions (2)

J. Government Regulations

- 1. FDA Formerly listed as an allowable coloring agent in cosmetics; dropped from the list because there are no pending petitions for its use. (3) May be safely used in foods as a defoaming agent subject to 21 CFR 121.1099. (6) May be safely used in foods subject to 21 CFR 121.1071.(7)
- 2. EPA 40 CFR 180.1001 Exempted from the requirement of a tolerance when used in accordance with good agricultural practice as an inert ingredient in pesticide formulations applied to growing crops only. (1)
- 3. OSHA
- 4. NIOSH
- 5. DOT
- 6. Other Federal
- 7. State, County
- 8. Foreign Countries
- K. <u>Manufacturer(s)</u> Cary Co.; Ferro Corp.; C.P. Hall; Mallinckrodt; and numerous other manufacturers and suppliers (5)

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L.	Environment						
	1.	Effe	ct				
	2.	Conv	ersion Products (Meta	abolites,	Degradation	Products)	
	3.	Fate					
	4.	Pers	istence				
	5.	Bioaccumulation					
М.	Toxicology						
	1.	Human effects					
		a.	Occupational Studies	3			
		b.	Epidemiology				
		c.	Metabolic Effects St	udies			
		d.	Poisoning Incidents	and Case	Studies		

Others

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2.	Non-Human	Mammalian	Effecte
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- a. Acute toxicity
- b. Pharmacology
- c. Absorption/Excretion
- d. Metabolism
- e. Subacute
- f. Sensitization
- g. Teratology A test for teratogenicity in rabbits using a vaccine adjuvant proved negative. The compound, which contained 2% Aluminum stearate, was injected into rabbits on the eighth day of pregnancy and had no apparent effects on fetal development. (4)
- h. Mutagenicity
- i. Carcinogenicity
- j. Other Chronic Effects (Both Reversible and Irreversible) Long term observations were carried out in guinea pigs and monkeys given multiple injections of a vaccine adjuvant containing 2% aluminum stearate. There was no evidence of immunopathologic lesions, tumor formation, or other pathological processes. (4)
- k. Behavioral Effects
- 1. Synergism
- m. Other

N. Recommendation: Class 4

This compound when used as an inert ingredient in pesticide formulations, poses no hazard to animal or human health. (See recommendations on stearic acid and sodium aluminate). Aluminum stearate provides a less available form of aluminum for alimentary absorption.

O. Sources used in Search

- 1. On Line Data Bases
 - a. Toxline
 - b. Medline
 - c. Chemline
 - d. Other

- 2. Major References
 - a. The Merck Index
 - b. NIOSH Registry of Toxic Substances
 - c. Chemical Abstracts
 - d. Biological Abstracts
 - e. Other

P. References and Review Articles

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- (6) U.S. F.D.A., Code of Federal Regulations; 21, part 121.1099, Washington, D.C.: 1976.
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Format II

A. EPA Accession Number and Name:

000762 Stearic acid, aluminum salt of

B. Description

C. Use as an Inert

D. Problems Encountered

000762 Stearic acid, aluminum salt of
000295 Stearic acid, aluminum salt of
same name, two numbers, 295 deleted, refer to 762
000296S Aluminum stearate
000762S Aluminum stearate
same name, two number, 296S deleted, refer to 762S

E. Recommendation

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